GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SIDDHA SYSTEM OF MEDICINE
V. SAROJA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any policy for the spread of Siddha, considering that Siddha System of Medicine is confined to Tamil Nadu only;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) to (c) Siddha is one of the recognized Systems of Medicines.The Central government is implementing a number of schemes for the development of our systems of medicines including Siddha Medicines.These schemes are strengthening of undergraduate institutions, up gradation of undergraduate department to postgraduate department, re-orientation training and strengthening of State Pharmacies and Laboratories, drug standardization & IEC activities etc.A National Institute of Siddha at Chennai has also been conceptualized.